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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of:) Confirmation No.: 7432	
Giridhari L. Agrawal) Examiner: Justin M. Krause	
for: HIGH LOAD CAPACITY FOIL THRUST BEARINGS)) Group Art Unit: 3682	
Serial No.:	10/608,970))) (Atty. Docket No. 4525-0009)	
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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

SIR:

This communication is in response to the Final Office Action of May 31, 2006, which has a response period that expires on August 31, 2006. Please amend the application as follows:

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